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Re: In the Matter of High-Cost Universal Service Support, WC Docket No. 05-337; In the Matter of Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service, CC Docket No. 96-45

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Marty J. Meche
Corporate Counsel
Cameron Communications, L.L.C.

cc: Chairman Kevin J. Martin
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Commissioner Robert M. McDowell
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Keith Gibson

President

Pinnacle Communications

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Pam Downey

McDonough Telephone Cooperative

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Sincerely,

Joshua Clements

Adams Telephone Co-Operative

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Sincerely,

Tom Young
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Sincerely,

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Sincerely,

Lisa W. Epperley

General Manager

Pembroke Telephone Cooperative

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Jill Williams

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Sincerely,

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Marketing Director
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eric@kanokla.com
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Karen Middendorf

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Linda Jindra

KanOkla Telephone Association, Inc.

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Thank you.

Karin Jahnke, Administrative Assistant

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Phil Carson

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Jeffery Sharrow

Adams Telephone Co-operative

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Steven H. Miller

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